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In response to the Office Action mailed August 30, 2007, please find the following:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper. Replacement sheets are attached.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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